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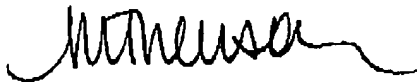
Accordingly, Applicant's response was indeed sufficient in view of the provisional nature of the rejection, and the response as a whole was responsive.

Conclusion

A favorable action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number listed below if this communication does not place the case in condition for allowance and prior to the issuance of a further action.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,



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